

## FARM LABOR

The farm labor statistics are collected in January, April, July, and October. The reference week is the week which includes the 12<sup>th</sup> of the month. The quarterly labor surveys are

conducted in all states except Alaska, which is surveyed only during July. Washington's data are combined with Oregon and published as a Pacific Region.

### Farm Labor Wage Rates, Pacific Region & United States, 2003-2005 <sup>1 2</sup>

| Month/Year   | Number of Workers    |                      |                      | Hours Worked <sup>3</sup> |                       |                       |
|--------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
|              | Pacific              | California           | United States        | Pacific                   | California            | United States         |
|              | <i>1,000 Workers</i> | <i>1,000 Workers</i> | <i>1,000 Workers</i> | <i>Hours Per Week</i>     | <i>Hours Per Week</i> | <i>Hours Per Week</i> |
| January 2003 | 48                   | 235                  | 729                  | 37.7                      | 40.8                  | 37.7                  |
| April        | 52                   | 220                  | 781                  | 40.3                      | 43.1                  | 40.1                  |
| July         | 110                  | 225                  | 943                  | 36.3                      | 47.5                  | 39.8                  |
| October      | 76                   | 230                  | 891                  | 37.6                      | 42.7                  | 40.2                  |
| January 2004 | 41                   | 190                  | 662                  | 38.2                      | 41.8                  | 38.1                  |
| April        | 64                   | 234                  | 827                  | 36.8                      | 45.9                  | 40.6                  |
| July         | 112                  | 210                  | 953                  | 37.3                      | 45.6                  | 39.3                  |
| October      | 68                   | 200                  | 851                  | 39.3                      | 44.8                  | 40.5                  |
| January 2005 | 38                   | 128                  | 574                  | 35.9                      | 39.9                  | 36.8                  |
| April        | 64                   | 182                  | 753                  | 40.2                      | 45.0                  | 39.9                  |

| Month/Year | Wage Rates <sup>3</sup> |                         |                         |                         |                         |                         |                         |                         |                         |                         |                         |                         |
|------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
|            | Field                   |                         |                         | Livestock               |                         |                         | Field & Livestock       |                         |                         | All                     |                         |                         |
|            | Pacific                 | Calif.                  | U.S.                    | Pacific                 | Calif.                  | U.S.                    | Pacific                 | Calif.                  | U.S.                    | Pacific                 | Calif.                  | U.S.                    |
|            | <i>Dollars Per Hour</i> | <i>Dollars Per Hour</i> | <i>Dollars Per Hour</i> | <i>Dollars Per Hour</i> | <i>Dollars Per Hour</i> | <i>Dollars Per Hour</i> | <i>Dollars Per Hour</i> | <i>Dollars Per Hour</i> | <i>Dollars Per Hour</i> | <i>Dollars Per Hour</i> | <i>Dollars Per Hour</i> | <i>Dollars Per Hour</i> |
| Jan '03    | 8.63                    | 8.22                    | 8.30                    | 9.93                    | 10.10                   | 8.90                    | 8.87                    | 8.46                    | 8.50                    | 9.71                    | 9.44                    | 9.34                    |
| Apr        | 8.82                    | 8.33                    | 8.40                    | 9.28                    | 10.15                   | 8.75                    | 8.90                    | 8.48                    | 8.49                    | 9.34                    | 9.22                    | 9.16                    |
| Jul        | 8.03                    | 8.43                    | 8.17                    | 10.95                   | 9.65                    | 8.57                    | 8.32                    | 8.55                    | 8.26                    | 8.74                    | 9.22                    | 8.88                    |
| Oct        | 8.90                    | 8.37                    | 8.42                    | 10.10                   | 9.80                    | 8.64                    | 9.11                    | 8.54                    | 8.47                    | 9.62                    | 9.13                    | 9.05                    |
| Jan '04    | 8.58                    | 8.41                    | 8.39                    | 9.31                    | 9.25                    | 8.83                    | 8.78                    | 8.54                    | 8.55                    | 9.82                    | 9.47                    | 9.41                    |
| Apr        | 9.02                    | 8.42                    | 8.47                    | 10.16                   | 9.83                    | 8.95                    | 9.16                    | 8.56                    | 8.59                    | 9.91                    | 9.30                    | 9.23                    |
| Jul        | 8.88                    | 8.41                    | 8.34                    | 8.90                    | 9.91                    | 8.74                    | 8.88                    | 8.60                    | 8.43                    | 9.25                    | 9.26                    | 9.04                    |
| Oct        | 9.32                    | 8.43                    | 8.62                    | 9.23                    | 9.57                    | 8.91                    | 9.31                    | 8.60                    | 8.69                    | 9.81                    | 9.33                    | 9.32                    |
| Jan '05    | 9.32                    | 8.60                    | 8.73                    | 9.90                    | 10.30                   | 9.19                    | 9.39                    | 8.88                    | 8.91                    | 10.33                   | 9.94                    | 9.81                    |
| Apr        | 8.87                    | 8.62                    | 8.56                    | 10.78                   | 9.60                    | 9.14                    | 9.23                    | 8.76                    | 8.72                    | 9.95                    | 9.48                    | 9.35                    |

<sup>1</sup> Pacific Region includes Washington and Oregon.

<sup>2</sup> United States excludes Alaska.

<sup>3</sup> All hired farm workers and wage rates includes supervisors/managers and other workers which are not published separately.